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Governor unveils trains for quarter design

Promontory Summit – Governor Jon Huntsman unveiled today the people's choice for the design on the back of the Utah Quarter: Crossroads of the West, the driving of the golden spike.

"In 1869 with the driving of the golden spike and the completion of the transcontinental railroad Utah became the Crossroads of the West," Governor Huntsman said. "This holds true today as we celebrate our past with this quarter and move toward our future."

The United States Mint will produce 450 million Utah quarters beginning in January 2007, 99 percent of those will circulate outside Utah. During a 25-day online poll, more than 135,000 votes were cast for the quarter design: 52 percent for the Golden Spike, 27 percent for the Beehive and 21 percent for Winter Sports.

The quarter unveiling coincided with the 137th anniversary Golden Spike reenactment at the National Historic Site.